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METHOD OF FABRICATING A NON-VOLATILE MEMORY DEVICE
HAVING A TUNNEL-INSULATING LAYER INCLUDING MORE THAN
TWO PORTIONS OF DIFFERENT THICKNESS

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2002. Please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 2.

Please replace claims 1, 6, 7 and 9 with the following rewritten claims.

1. (Twice Amended) A method of fabricating a non-volatile memory device having a tunnel insulating layer, comprising:
- sequentially depositing said tunnel insulating layer, a floating gate conductive layer, and a first insulating layer over a semiconductor substrate, said tunnel insulating layer including at least two portions of different thicknesses, and said conductive layer serving as a floating gate in a